

BOARD OF HEALTH
Room 318: Bangs Community Center
Minutes

November 19, 2009

BOH Members: David Ahlfeld, Maria Bulzacchelli, Nancy Gilbert, David Kaufman,
Sandy Sulsky

Staff: Pamela Field-Sadler

Other: Nancy Campbell Patteson and David B. Patteson – 483 Montague Road,
Town Manager Laurence Shaffer, Kay Zlogar – Town Manager's Office

Meeting opened at 7:00 p.m.

I. New Business

A. Well Construction Permit Application: 483 Montague Road

Nancy Campbell Patteson and David B. Patteson - 483 Montague Road in attendance.

The Board of Health members reviewed a Well Construction Permit application submitted by Nancy and David Patteson to install an agricultural use only well on the property at 483 Montague Road. Mr. Patteson explained the pumping rate will be determined by well driller Cushing & Son.

Motion: Mr. Kaufman made the motion, seconded by Ms. Gilbert to approve the Well Construction Permit application as submitted for an agricultural use only well on the property at 483 Montague Road. **Vote:** Unanimous

The BOH briefly discussed the purpose of the Regulations for Private Wells in regards to agricultural use. The application form may need to be clarified.

B. Public Health Director Retirement

Town Manager Laurence Shaffer and Kay Zlogar from the Town Manager's office in attendance.

Mr. Shaffer informed the Board of Health, effective today Public Health Director Epi Bodhi had retired. Mr. Shaffer further explained negotiations had taken place and Julie Federman, former Amherst Public Health Nurse, will return to work for the Town of Amherst as the Interim Public Health Director, working part-time until January 2010. As of January 3, 2010, Ms. Federman will become the permanent full-time Public Health Director. Kay Zlogar will take the department lead until Ms. Federman's arrival on November 30, 2009. A press release will be sent out congratulating Ms. Bodhi on her retirement. Mr. Shaffer shared his intention to physically renovate the Health Department, as well as direct the Health Department to return to its core services. Mr. Shaffer answered questions from the Board of Health regarding the Health department's direction, regionalization and H1N1 planning. Ms. Zlogar will

invite Ms. Federman to the next Board of Health meeting scheduled for December 10, 2009.

II. Review & Receive

A. Meeting Minutes

1. Meeting minutes from October 15, 2009 -**Accepted with modification**

III. Old Business

A. Tobacco Regulations

1. Outdoor Spaces

The BOH reviewed the current draft of the ETS regulation. The BOH agreed to the following:

- Modify Section 4(3) by removing the last word in the first sentence
- Modify Section 4(3)(h) increasing the footage to 20 ft.
- Modify Section 4(3)(i) to read “town-owned playgrounds, swimming areas and during registered events on town-owned outdoor property.”
- Add definition for “Registered Event” in Section 3

The modifications will be made to the draft regulations and forwarded to Attorney Wilson for review. The Conservation department will be contacted to inquire if smoking is currently prohibited at Puffers Pond.

IV. Schedule Next BOH Meeting/Agenda Closing Date

- A.** The next BOH meeting will be December 10, 2009.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:45 p.m.

Pamela Field-Sadler, Management Assistant
Approved: 12/10/09

